

**IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

_____ day _____, 2013

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

**RESOLUTION NO.
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 5-11, 2013
AS "WILDFIRE AWARENESS WEEK" IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, each year between 5,000 and 8,000 wildfires plague California, destroying property, taking lives and damaging our state's valuable watershed and precious natural resources.

WHEREAS, San Luis Obispo County has over two million acres of wildland vulnerable to the impact of wildfire.

WHEREAS, California is privileged to have 85 million acres of wildland that serve as habitat for a diverse array of wildlife and plants. These lands provide residents and visitors unparalleled opportunities for recreation and enjoyment of nature; therefore contributing millions of dollars to the state economy.

WHEREAS, severe wildfire impacts how watersheds provide clean and reliable water supplies that are critical to California's people, environment and economy. The risks of large wildfires that threaten or take lives and destroy homes are predicted to rise by over the next several decades as a result of climate change.

WHEREAS, all Californians who live, work and recreate in our state must recognize the high risk of wildfire and must take every precaution to protect themselves, their property, and our natural resources. Approximately 94 percent of wildfires in California are human-caused and, therefore, are preventable.

WHEREAS, Wildfire Awareness Week is an important opportunity for California's communities and fire service agencies to reduce the risk of wildfire and increase public safety and awareness through education on fire safety, preparation and prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, does hereby proclaim May 5 - 11, 2013, as "Wildfire Awareness Week" in this County.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted.

Chairperson, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: _____

Deputy Clerk